GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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EXEMPTION OF PH.D. DEGREE HOLDERS FROM NET
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether opinions have been divided over exemption of Ph.D. Degreeholders from the University Grants Commission's National Eligibility Test (NET) for appointment as teachers in colleges and universities;

(b) whether the Federation of All India Researchers' Association has submittedmemoranda to the Union Government andthe UGC demanding restoration of the exemption of Ph.D. holders, as per the Rastogi Commission recommendations; and

(c) if so, the details of this controversy and the reaction of Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) to (c): Representations have been received by the Commission expressing support as well as reservations in respect of UGC's decision that Ph.D. holders may not be exempted from the NET. The decision has been taken on merits and in the interest of maintaining uniform standards of education.